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"CHINA MAIL" CENSUS COMPETITION.

A census of the population of Hongkong
is to be taken on May 20th, and in order
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estimating the growth of the population
since the last census the *China Mail* is
promoting a competition under three heads,
asking its subscribers to predict the num-
bers of—(1) The total civil population; (2)
Chinese population; (3) European and
American population. We have, for the
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HONGKONG.

I predict that the total civil population
of the Colony on May 20th, 1911, will be

Name

Address

N.B.—The last complete census of the
Colony was taken in 1901, when the total
civil population was officially returned at
283,905. In 1906 a partial census was
taken, being confined to the original Colony
of Hongkong and that part of the New
Territory which lies south of the Kowloon
range of hills. This partial census showed
a total civil population of 319,803, but it
should be pointed out that the portion of
the New Territory not included in this
census possessed a population of 86,011 in
1901.

No. 2.—TOTAL CHINESE POPULATION OF
HONGKONG.

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tion of the Colony on May 20th, 1911, will be

Name

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N.B.—In November, 1906, a partial
census was taken, this being confined to the
original Colony of Hongkong and that part
of the New Territory which lies south of
the Kowloon range of hills. This partial
census gave the total Chinese popula-
tion (land and floating) as 207,283, but it
should be borne in mind that the portion
of the New Territory not included in the
partial census possessed a population of
86,011 in 1901, the year when the last full
census was taken. The total Chinese popu-
lation for the whole Colony in 1901 was
274,542.

No. 3.—TOTAL EUROPEAN AND AMERICAN
POPULATION OF HONGKONG.

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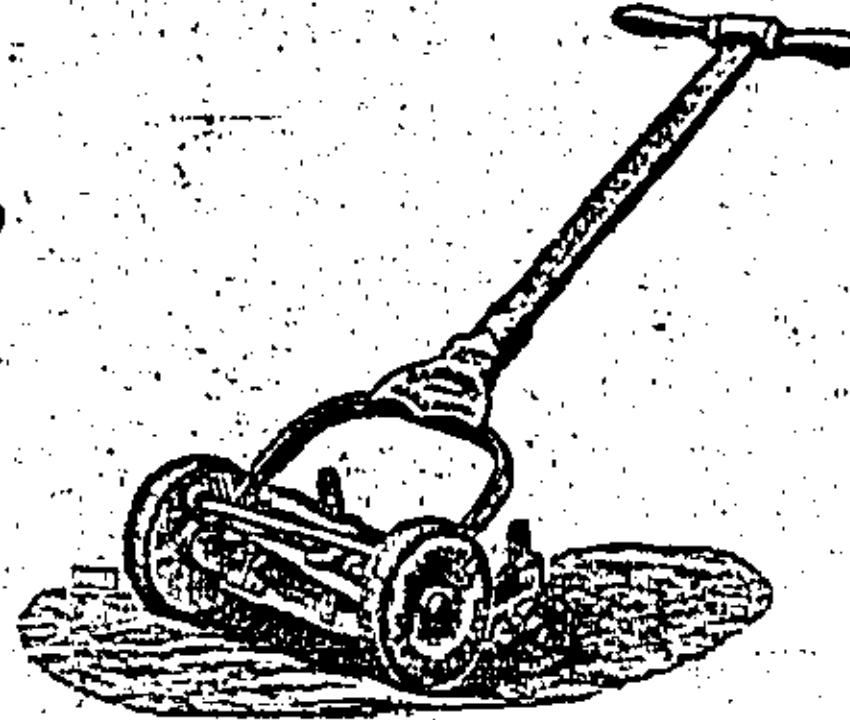
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Accompanying the communication is the report by the consulting engineers on general progress and development, made up to January last, which states that since 27th July, 1910, work of considerable magnitude and importance has been in progress at the Jianshen Colliery. As the water is lowered shafts 1, 2 and 3 are found to be in a good state of repair. As the time is now approaching when the coal will be won at No. 1 shaft a first-class winding engine capable of winding 2,000 tons of coal per day has been bought for this pit, and will be shipped in the month of March. No. 2 shaft—Special mention should be made of the results of borings Nos. 40, 41, 42, 38, 39 and 28. These having proved an area of coal to the south-east about 20 ft thick and 400-500 ft from the surface, containing at least 5,000,000 tons available to No. 2 shaft, it was decided to drive an inclined road from No. 2 shaft at the 302 ft level to work this area. This drift has now been driven, and at 484 ft intersected the main coal seam, which will be opened up and worked as soon as the necessary ventilating connections have been completed. No. 2 shaft is already fitted with winding engines, so that ample power is already provided for hoisting this coal when it is sunk. No. 3 shaft, 18 ft in diameter, had been sunk to a depth of 450 ft and walled throughout, but sinking was suspended and water allowed to rise until arrangements had been made to cope with it. The quantity is known to be 150,000 gallons per hour at a depth of 600 ft. Owing to the

progress made with lowering the water in Nos. 1 and 2 shafts, sinking was resumed in December last, and a depth of 470 ft. has been attained. The sinking was not regularly at work in the bottom of the shaft, and rock drills driven by compressed air are being used to expedite the operations. Shafts Nos. 4, 5 and 6 form the present productive part of the Jianshen Colliery. They are actively engaged, and in December last 3,015 tons were employed underground and 1,010 upon the surface. The winding engines at No. 4 shaft are capable of winding 2,000 tons per day, and as development proceeds there appears to be no doubt that this quantity will be raised at this shaft. No. 6 shaft was sunk as a small air shaft, and was only equipped with small winding engines, but as the coal seam has extended in that direction it has been found useful for winding coal, and it is now intended to sink another small shaft near to it, by which the output can be further increased. At the Nos. 1, 2 and 3 pits, where so much trouble occurred in the early days of the syndicate, work is being pushed on to install the Hatherly Davy pumps in the No. 3 pit capable of raising 175,000 gallons of water per hour from a depth of 1,000 ft, although the first lift will be fixed at 600 ft. In addition to the borings Nos. 40, 41 and 42, other borings are in hand, firstly, to prove the extension of this area to the east, and, secondly, to prove the area north of the Nos. 4 and 6 shafts, but these are not yet completed. After a review of the properties and plant—railways, telegraph lines, etc.—the consulting engineers proceed to discuss the prospects of the colliery. In the course of their remarks they state:—During our visit to the colliery we found that the trade, besides being local, is largely in the interior, and is widely divergent. The population of the interior of China is so enormous and other kinds of fuel so scarce, that we feel confident there will be a large and growing demand for it when its quality has become known. Arrangements are being made for the introduction of the coal into the market on the Pacific Coast as well as in Japan. Already two shipments have been made to San Francisco. In the Province of Honan, where the colliery is situated, there are 25,000,000 people, or 375 persons per square mile, and Kiangsu 23,000,000, or 320 persons per square mile, whilst Shantung has 33,000,000, or 383 persons per square mile, and these provinces are, in our opinion, all within the zone where this colliery should do business, and for comparison it may be noticed that the population of Great Britain is about 450 persons per square mile. The preparations for trade at Hankow, on the Yangtze River, are all that can be desired. Similar arrangements have been made upon and secured in a central position on the side of the Pei Ho the port of Tientsin. Iron ore is very extensive and forms a part of a range of hills to the west and north-west of the colliery. The coal seams are found in the limestone, and there are indications that they have been worked by the Chinese in times gone by, and rumours say that they were smelted in the neighbourhood. The prospecting done by the syndicate has also revealed the fact that the iron ore exists in many other places, and from the work done and proofs made there is every reason to believe that extensive mining operations of the usual character in mining this ore in limestone can be carried on at a profit. We should show the places where an announcement can be made to the best advantage. After our careful inspection of the property at Jianshen, both as to its area and the proofs made by borings Nos. 1 to 49, we have come to the conclusion that it is one of the most valuable assets under the control of the syndicate, and that it is a property of great importance to any European group in China. The area of the Jianshen property has already been proved by borings to contain over 30,000,000 tons of coal, and this will doubtless prove to be capable of considerable extension, as the proofs are pushed onwards from the working centre, and as the first-rate qualities of the coal become known a large and remunerative business will result.

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COMMERCIAL

SHARE REPORT.

Messrs Vernon and Smyth in their weekly

share report dated April 7th state:

"Business during the past week has ruled

dull, and no transactions of material im-

portance have been reported during the

interval.

"Rubbers" have further receded in

sympathy with a declining London market,

the closing quotation for Fine Hard Para

being 5/11 per lb sellers.

The Bank of England rate of discount is

quoted at 3 per cent, and the open market

rate at 2 1/2 per cent. Bar silver closes at

24 1/4 per oz steady, and sterling T.T. at

1/0 1/2. The T.T. rate on Shanghai has

advanced to 7 1/4.

Bankers—Hongkong and Shanghai in

sympathy with an improvement in London

to 285/10, have hardened locally, and

shares can now be placed at 885.

Nationals continue in request at 880.

Marine Insurance—Unions after sales

at 840 have advanced to 845 with sales

and buyers. North China after sales at

Ts 150 are now in request at Ts 157.

China Traders, Yangtze and Cantons are

unchanged and without local business.

Five Insurance—Hongkong after sales

at 835 1/2 are some what easier, but at

830 there are buyers. Chinas have

been booked at 812 1/2 closing with probable

buyers at this rate and sellers at 812 1/2.

Shipping—Hongkong, Canton and

Macao can still be obtained at 250, and

the offer of 250 would probably lead to

business. Indo-China after sales to Lon-

don at 20 and 20 1/3 for preferred and

deferred combined have weakened locally

and shares are obtainable to a limited

extent at 805, but at 805 there are buyers.

China and Manillas have been booked at 804

and 804, the closing rate being 810 sellers.

Douglases are neglected at 810, and Shell

Transport at the closing selling rate of

92 1/2. Star Ferries have improved con-

siderably, and after sales at 82 1/2 to 83 for

old and 81 1/2 to 82 for new can now be dis-

posed of at 82 1/2 and 81 1/2 respectively.

Refineries—China Sugars have advanced

to 810 1/2 buyers with small sales at 810 1/2

and 810 1/2 in the interim. Luzons are quiet

and without business at 820.

Mining—Quotations are unchanged and

no business during the interval is reported

in this section.

Docks, Wharves and Godowns—Hong-

kong and Whampoa Docks have ruled

steadily and close with further sales at 853.

Hongkong and Kowloon Wharves have

been done to a small extent at 852.

Quotations for New Amoy Docks, Shanghai

Docks, and Shanghai and Hongkong

wharves are as last reported, and without

local business.

Lands, Hotels and Buildings—Hong-

kong Lands have been sold at 894, and a

few more shares are wanted. West Points

have also found purchasers at 47 closing

with buyers. Sales of Humphreys Estates

have been booked at 80 1/2 and at this rate a

few more shares are available. Kowloon

Lands can still be obtained at 830 and

the offer of a slightly lower rate would

probably be accepted. Hongkong Hotels

have further advanced and shares can now

be placed at 108 for old and 87 for new.

Manilla Metropole Hotels have small buyers

at 811 but at 812 there are sellers.

Cotton Mills—Quotations are unchanged,

and no business of importance is reported.

Hongkong after sales at 85 1/2 close

as before with sellers at 85.

Miscellaneous—China Borneos are

easier with sellers at 894. Cements

have been booked at 33 1/2 and 33 1/2

closing with probable buyers at 33 1/2.

There have further appreciated and after

sales at 1185 and 1170 close with buyers

at the latter rate. Steam Landrums have

improved to 80 1/2 buyers, and Powells to 83

buyers. Repos are procurable at 81 1/2 and

Electricity at 223. Langkats have receded

in the North to Ts 109 sellers.

Rubbers—Closing quotations—middle

prices—received from London by wire

to-day are as follows:—

Highlands and Lowlands ... 108/3

London ... 12/3

London Ventures ... 4/

United Securities ... 108/9

Allagars ... 4/9

Batu Tiga ... 91/8

Sapongas ... 27/9

Langgins ... 20/8

R and T Trust ... 13/3 prem

Rubber Trusts ... 19/6 prem

Anglo Malay ... 23/8

Strait Berhams ... 23/8

STRAIT TRADING

It is well known that gambling has been

prohibited in Canton amidst a good deal of

historical display. It is interesting to read

the accounts in the native papers which

show that things are, as usual, not quite as

they appear to be in Government edicts.

We read that at a place outside of Peking,

on the third of the month, certain gamblers

arranged for play as usual, and so police

went to arrest those who thus dared to set

at naught the law. But the gamblers had

prepared weapons with which to defend

themselves and when the police made a

show of arresting they unfortunately shot

one of the representatives of the law dead.

This enraged the police, who then made a

firm stand and arrested two of the gam-

blers. This is only one story out of a half

a dozen reported in the paper before us

apparently in view of the place where

gambling will go on as long as it is worth

while to take any special efforts to stop

those who are still follow the pursuit. In

other places some people have been arrested

and fined. Such a fine is likely to be

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whom we are indebted for the translation—reminds us, this journalist is often chosen by the German Foreign Office as its mouthpiece, so the announcements here made, debatable though they be on many points, may reasonably be construed as proceeding from the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, Herr von Kiderlen-Waechter.

"English newspapers continue to show agitation concerning the question of the Baghdad Railway in Germany. Long ago we became accustomed to treat questions connected with the Baghdad Railway as a business matter, while in England they cannot divest the matter of all the political significance which has been artificially attributed to it. Even the House of Commons cannot refrain from occupying itself with the matter by addressing all sorts of indirect questions to Sir EDWARD GREY.

"In all these discussions a large section of the British Press has been unable to see the rights of the question clearly, for British rule in India, British supremacy in the Persian Gulf, and the alleged British Protectorate over Koweit serious reasons for and against the railway which is beyond all doubt the possession of Turkey. Above everything, the British Government is urged to demand the control of the final section of the line from Baghdad to the coast, and to make friendly relations with Germany and Turkey conditional upon the fulfilment of this demand.

Unusually courageous journalists in England talk of the world's peace being endangered in this connection. The question of the Baghdad Railway would have a far greater prospect of being settled satisfactorily for Great Britain—and the other Powers concerned if the English would cease to confuse claims with rights. It appears undeniable that Great Britain claims an alleged protectorate over Koweit, and to control the final section of the Baghdad line. "It is, however, not what England demands, but what right she has to control this section of the railway that essentially matters. Prudent English newspapers refrain from explaining on what rights such a demand is based, and the reasons given by the less prudent section of the British Press cannot possibly be taken seriously. No one will desire to prevent Great Britain from asserting her rule over India, but if British interests in India are to serve as claims on railways and ports in Mesopotamia, then England might with equal justice claim supremacy over South Italy, for the distance of Koweit from the nearest point of the Indian frontier is almost exactly as far as Portsmouth is from Naples. Concerning the British claim to the protectorate of Koweit, the Turks are known to take a different view from that of the English, and we have no reason to regard the Turkish attitude towards this matter as less justified than the British attitude. But, apart from Koweit, even a protectorate in one form or another over this port would not justify the putting forward of any claim whatever by Great Britain to control the final section of the Baghdad railway, for, with equal right the position of Gibraltar might be made the basis of a claim to control the entire railway system of Spain.

"We note with satisfaction that reasonable voices are already being raised on this point in England, for one English paper recently explained very clearly that Turkey can construct on her own territory whatever railways she pleases, or entrust their construction and management to whatever companies she may choose for this purpose. The only contracting parties in the matter of the Baghdad railway are the Turkish Government and the Baghdad Railway Company, which is under German management. Neither of these parties can negotiate with any third party unless both have settled the points in dispute between themselves. It is thus clear that the Turkish Government will not desire and will not be able to negotiate with Great Britain, nor will the German Government desire or be able to enter into negotiations with British financiers until Germany and Turkey are perfectly agreed on the points in question. Those impatient politicians in England who have visions of Germany

before the gates of Koweit, and who, to prevent so terrible a possibility, desire to gild the British Foreign Office into pursuing an aggressive policy, would do well to remember that the German company and the Turkish Government have the first say in the matter.

"We have sufficient faith in the healthy business instincts of the English to believe that they will succeed in getting rid of the political prejudices which have hitherto influenced their treatment of this question. It is possible to talk business with those Englishmen with whom it would be futile to talk politics. If the English measure the importance of the Baghdad railway question by their own practical interests, they will find reasonable opponents in Germany and Turkey."

Writing from Constantinople to the Daily Mail recently, Mr. G. WARD PRANCE, remarked that the Baghdad railway negotiations were additionally complicated to-day because of the newly-created national pride of the Young Turkey party. Their *amore proprio* is easily upset, so Germany and England had to "gang up" to prevent the Young Turks from acquiring a railway which is building in territory entirely belonging to Turkey. Indeed, it was soon apparent that there were people in Constantinople who fanned the suspicion that England was planning to "push forward" claims for the acquisition of territory in the Turkish regions of the Persian Gulf. Perhaps when we remember how often she has been plundered in the past we may forgive her for inclining to the suspicion that a robber may be found in anyone she finds simply looking over her boundary fence. But the trouble which most people still see ahead for this railway will be somewhat similar to what is experienced in Manchuria. Russia and Japan have to maintain a large army of railway guards to protect their property from the Hungtutse. So we fear the nomadic tribes of the desert through which the Baghdad railway will run will cause many complications. These good people will see in the thin line of rails slowly creeping out of the west the visible and unwelcome approach of the power of the SULTAN, a power that will be used to check their predatory habits. They may therefore interfere with its construction or continually damage it after the line is laid. In the event, therefore, of the Turkish Government proving incapable of protecting the works, then the delicate question will arise among the interested Powers as to what steps shall be taken to enforce the strong hand of the law. The possibilities of international misunderstanding and much wrangling seem not so very remote should such a contingency arise.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

To-day's quotation for Para rubber, as per Messrs Vernon and Smyth is 6s. 0d.

Sunday is Palm Sunday.

Cholera is said to be again assuming an epidemic form in Bangkok.

The new Siamese Minister to London is Phya Akhara, formerly representing his country at Washington.

The silk ex R.M.S. *Empress of Japan* which left here on the 11th ult., arrived at New York on the 6th inst.

The P. M. S. S. Co.'s s.s. *Manchuria*, which sails at noon to-morrow for San Francisco via ports, has a complement of over 200 passengers from Hongkong.

It is officially notified in the Gazette that His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint Saturday, April 15th, to be observed as a public holiday in the Colony.

Col. Hume, R.A., who for many years was military governor of the Crown Prince of Siam and then went to Tokyo as British military attaché, where he became very popular, has resigned from the Army to become Superintendent of Siamese Government students in England.

The Magistrate was unusually quiet this morning. The only case of interest was one in which a sugar cane was charged with stealing 9 1/2 lbs of sugar from the s.s. *Chun Sang*. He tried to convince the Magistrate that he had a sweet palate and merely swept this little pile of sugar together for the purpose of eating it. His Worship gave him three weeks in prison and three hours' stocks.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

Harmston's circus is playing to full houses in Singapore.

We publish in another column the services arranged for Holy Week.

To-night the Kowloon Cricket Club hold their annual dinner and a capital time is anticipated.

Mrs. Elsie A. Sicks, wife of Colonel David B. Sicks, who was American Minister to Siam in 1881, died on Feb. 13th of heart failure.

The Bandman's are due here to-morrow by the P. and O. Steamer "Sicilia" and will open on Monday night with the "Chocolate Soldier."

The Cricket season is drawing to a close. To-day there were only two matches, one in Kowloon the other on the Hongkong Club ground.

The Christian Union meeting, Monday the 10th April, will be conducted by Miss Eyre who speak on "Woman's work in Hongkong." This meeting will take place at 5.30 p.m. at St. Stephen's College.

Mr. Apat comes out top of the winning owners in the records of the past racing season in Calcutta. He won Rs. 68,000 and Mr. J. C. Galatin secured Rs. 65,500. The next best was a long way behind—Mr. Gada with Rs. 24,160.

Li Hip and Au Hoo summoned D. J. O'Sullivan to appear before the Magistrate to-morrow before Mr. Justice Hazland, to recover \$17.20 each, being wages due for one month and thirteen days at \$12 per month. After hearing the evidence, His Lordship gave judgment for defendant with costs.

Notice is given in the Gazette that the Governor-in-Council purposes to make an order under the Highways Ordinance for stopping up the Queen's Road end of the thoroughfare known as Spring Gardens Lane. Any person objecting to the proposed order must forward his objection in writing to the Colonial Secretary not later than the 29th inst. and must state the reasons and specify the property with regard to the ownership or occupation of which such objection is made and the interest therein of the objector.

THE BUTCHERY CASE.

At the Supreme Court this morning before the Chief Justice, Sir Francis Pigott, the case was continued in which John Tatum, runner of the King Edward Hotel, sued Frederick Howell, chief bailiff of the Supreme Court, for an account of the receipts and disbursements of the Hongkong Butchery and for such further and other relief as may be just.

Mr. M. W. Slade, J.C., was for plaintiff, instructed by Mr. J. H. Gardiner, and Mr. Eldon Potter defended, instructed by Mr. C. E. H. Beavis.

Defendant's cross-examination was continued. Mr. Slade—You told us yesterday that you were in the habit of cashing the crossed cheques of the Butchery Co. business?—I am afraid I was rather hasty as on going through the pass-book I find that was not so.

When did you begin?—I see from the pass book that on November 18, 1904, I paid over a cheque for \$120 and on the 21st, \$50.

Not approximately for the same sum?—I would give a cheque for a less sum and pay so much in cash.

His Lordship—The point is that we don't want to know anything else except the payments made to the Butchery Co.

Mr. Slade—When you received a crossed cheque you did not necessarily pay the same sum out, you paid more or less?—That is so. I sometimes gave a cheque for a larger sum and received the balance back.

His Lordship—It is not a question of your wanting a few dollars. You received from them on the 17th November three crossed cheques amounting to \$143.80 and you gave a cheque in return for \$120, therefore there is \$23.80 balance. You must have kept some record of what you did. I gave it out of my own pocket.

Later it was suggested that the cheque for \$50 was made up of the balance of \$23.80 and his monthly account for that particular month.

Defendant was taken through a number of cheques and Mr. Slade suggested that the system of receiving crossed cheques and paying them out was initiated by his attorney.

Defendant—No, I don't think so. His Lordship—When do you think this arrangement was made? It is not a very usual arrangement. It is same to me with a crossed cheque and did not know what to do with it as the man who used to cash them had died. He asked me to cash it.

Apart from the \$15 a month for the rent of part of your house you have never received any money from the Hongkong Butchery Co. No. Among the witnesses you are going to call are you calling anyone who will produce any book to verify that statement?—Tang Ki will be called but as to whether he is producing any books or not I cannot say.

In January 1899 Tetan came back and when he asked for accounts you said as he had been away he was not entitled to them?—I did not. I made a copy of the accounts and I gave it to him. The accounts were made up by Barker.

When did you employ Barker to collect any outstanding accounts?—To the best of my recollection it was Young Ching.

Did you take any steps to collect any accounts outstanding for the Hongkong Butchery?—Some bills due to Young Ching on 21st January I looked after that. The hearing was adjourned.

[Continued.]

JAPAN'S TARIFF CONCESSIONS.

VIEWS OF THE BRITISH PRESS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)
London, April 7.

The newspapers give a qualified reception to the Japanese concessions. The Free Trade journals generally regard them as satisfactory. The Standard and the Daily Express describe the concessions as farcical. The Times, on the other hand, regards them as fairly satisfactory and says that the disappearance of conventions is the outward sign of Japan's acquisition of complete commercial autonomy, and heartily congratulates our Japanese friends on their legitimate satisfaction of national pride.

THE PROPERTY QUESTION.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)
London, April 8.

Sir Edward Grey, Minister for Foreign Affairs, announced in the House of Commons that the question of properties held on perpetual leases by Britishers in Japan will be the subject of a separate agreement.

IS TARIFF REFORM COMING?

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)
London, April 8.

There is considerable speculation here regarding the object of the inclusion in the new tariff Treaty of a schedule enumerating certain articles which will continue to be admitted from England free of duty, and the provision enabling both Governments to modify the schedule after the lapse of a year.

This is regarded by Tariff Reformers as indicating the possibility of Britain adopting Tariff Reform in the near future, and of a threat of retaliation against the Japanese unless substantial reductions are made under the new Tariff.

GERMAN LINE ASHORE.

A SERIOUS SITUATION.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)
London, April 8.

A message from New York states that the North German Lloyd steamer Princess Irene is ashore on Fire Island. There are 1,000 passengers on board and the situation is regarded as serious.

CANTON-MACAO RAILWAY.

THE PROJECT REVIVED.

(Wah Tze Yat Po's Service.)
PEKING, April 7.

It has been decided that, owing to its strategic importance, the Government shall construct the Canton-Macao Railway, and the Viceroy of Canton has been instructed to make the survey as soon as possible in order that work may be commenced at an early date.

THE DIVISION OF CHINA.

A STRANGE RUMOUR.

(Wah Tze Yat Po's Service.)
PEKING, April 7.

It is rumoured here that a consultation has been held in Paris between representatives of the various Western Powers on the subject of the dismemberment of the Chinese Empire, and that America alone has objected to the suggestion.

China is sending one of Mawick-built cruisers to England to represent her at the Coronation. This is quite a new departure, and a welcome one.

COMMERCIAL COMMISSIONER TO HONGKONG.

(Independent News Agency's Service to the China Mail.)
Tokyo, April 8.

Mr. Awoki, recently appointed as Commercial Commissioner to Hongkong, left Yokohama by the s.s. Tamba Maru.

CHINA AND RUSSIA.

THE LATEST DEVELOPMENTS.

(Wah Tze Yat Po's Service.)
PEKING, April 7.

The Chinese Minister at a certain foreign country has wired that China's submission to Russia has been construed by the Press as an indication of weakness, and he suggests therefore that a strong Army should be created without delay.

A report from Harbin states that conflicts are constantly occurring between Chinese and Russian soldiers, and that the casualties on either side have been considerable.

The Chinese Minister to St. Petersburg reports that Russia has no intention of sending troops to Mongolia, but, on the contrary, stores are being constantly despatched thither.

PRINCE LEOPOLD OF BAT- TENBERG.

Visit to Hongkong.

Prince Leopold Arthur Louis of Battenberg, son of Her. Royal Highness Princess Henry of Battenberg, daughter of the late Queen Victoria, is on his way to Hongkong by the s.s. Empire.

It will be remembered that Prince Leopold was taken seriously ill in Australia recently, with sciatica and throat trouble. On his arrival at Manila he was so ill that it was impossible for him to go ashore, and a special physician was constantly in attendance on him.

The young Prince, who is nearly 22 years of age, is on his way Home to England. It is not yet known if his health will permit of his landing here on the arrival of the Empire to-morrow, but if he will in all probability be entertained at Government House.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Lieut. H. B. Potter, The Buffs, has been placed on the sick list.

The death is reported from Duck Lake, Saskatchewan, of T. W. Cross, who was a bugler under Lord Raglan, Commander-in-Chief in the Crimea, and saw the charge of the Light Brigade. He was eighty-three.

Among the passengers leaving by the P.M. steamer "Manchuria" to-morrow are the Hon. Mr. Rees-Davies and Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Carmichael of London, and Mr. H. L. H. White, of the Pacific Mail Co., for San Francisco.

SANITARY BOARD.

Suggested Change of Title.

A meeting of the Sanitary Board will be held on Tuesday afternoon when the orders of the day include:—Minute by the President of the Board relative to the proposed change of "Board of Health" for "Sanitary Board"; Correspondence relative to re-building the Old Western Market.

Eighty children left Shanghai the other day by the Staatskrooner Kmetke for the China Inland Mission School at Chifoo.

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